

It seems strange indeed to think that the first and second purposes could ~~have~~ have ~~been~~ been fulfilled entirely ~~at~~ at the first ~~coming~~ advent of Christ. We have already seen that there would be a possible way We know that the third purpose was fulfilled at that time and we have already noticed that there is a ~~possibility~~ possible way to interpret the fourth as ~~not~~ pointing to that time rather than to a period that is still future.

When we come to the fifth purpose we meet ~~some~~ some very ~~strange~~ strange logic.

We have already noticed the most

noted the way ~~that~~ the sixth purpose would probably impress a reader in Old Testament times in the time of Daniel, and noticed a possible suggestion as to a way that it could be applied only to the first two events related to the first advent of Christ. A number of writers insist on a different way that would make it apply of doing so.

As we have often said, it no part of the purpose of this book to try to work out details of history that is still ~~in~~ future. Many ~~misinterpret~~ interpreters take the sixth/~~purpose~~ ^{purpose} as relating to such an ~~event~~ event, and there is much to be said for this approach. Objections that are raised to it deserve full consideration but lies outside the province of this particular examination of Daniel's prophecies.



Regardless of whether the fourth purpose be fourth and sixth purposes should be thus interpreted as finding their principal objective in the first advent of Christ, (it ~~is~~ would be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to interpret the first and second in such a way as to consider as they stand in the ~~the~~ NIV, to consider them as fulfilled at that time and not looking forward to a time when the victory over sin that was achieved in principle at Calvary would have an